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REMEMBER ELECTION DAY.

Before another issue of the Herald, election day will have come and gone. Virginia expects that you will again do your duty. Only a congressman to be voted for, and yet it is of National and State concern that the administration of affairs at Washington should be changed. This can not be accomplished at one time, but we have one chance just now to begin the work. A Democratic congress can at least check Republican extravagances, and in due time the Senate can be made an effective ally, and then the executive. Neglect this opportunity, and it will be easy to neglect the next, and so the day of relief may be indefinitely postponed.

Prince Edward has long delighted to honor a Southall and may still enjoy the privilege with the assurance that the man of the hour is worthy the name he boasts. There can be no reasonable doubt of Mr. Southall's triumph election, but the habit of not going to the polls is a bad one, while the habit of securing pronounced victories is a good one. Don't forget that next Tuesday is election day. Go early and carry your friends with you.

Ex-Senator Edmunds is recognized as a great lawyer, and he says: "The failure of the anti-trust laws we already have is due either to the want of the ability or the disposition in the executive and judicial department to enforce them."

Democrats constantly remind us of the old confederate soldiers in the ranks just as good, and just as opinionated as the Generals in the saddles. Brave as Caesar one and all, but not much respecters of organization or of authority.

The polls will open next Tuesday at sunrise and close at sunset. Remember the day and do your duty as Democrat and Virginian.

Are you registered? If so follow the discharge of one civic duty with another, and go to the polls next Tuesday and vote for R. G. Southall for Congress. He is honest and capable.

It is given out that the Postmaster General, in his forthcoming report, will recommend the reduction of letter postage to one cent, whereupon the Richmond Dispatch proceeds to add: "Hasten the day of reduction, say the people." And so say we all, and at the same time would urge living wages for carriers of country mails.

The Philadelphia Ledger is, in our opinion, correct in asserting that the strike was not ended by politicians, but "by popular sentiment controlled by the people's chief." And this ought to impress the people with the fact that they are invested with power enough to control politicians and prevent the enactment of bad laws.

There is no reason why Gen'l. Lee and Senator Maclin shouldn't shake hands. Are they not Virginia's ex-confederates and democrats?

We are reminded that Emerson described coal as "a portable climate," but when the magnates and miners get to differing, the "portable" feature is destroyed.

Old man Mark Hanna is unusually reticent on the subject of the strike settlement. If arbitration arbitrates, Mr. Roosevelt has scored a point against him.

Mitchell hopes this will be the last coal strike, but upon what does he base his hopes? We all hope the last war has been waged, but who believes it? As long as man is selfish, we cannot hope for exact justice.

Senator Hanna has so far recovered from recent illness as to be able to take to the stump again, and his sickness must have been of service to him as he is now recommending the Golden rule as the standard for human conduct. He urges its principals upon operators and miners, rich men and poor men alike. Right, old gentleman this time, and if you can persuade your fellow-countrymen to act, there need be no concern as to the character of constitutions or of laws. We could dispense with congressmen, adjourn our legislative bodies sine die and retire all our judges. Proceed with the good work, Mr. Hanna. The people are with you.

Let Prince Edward give good account of himself on first election day under the new and improved constitution.

A Democratic majority gave to Virginia the new and better Constitution, now let Virginians show their gratitude in perpetuating Democratic majorities.

The Richmond Times of last Sunday week, gave to its readers, through a correspondent, a graphic description of Southside Virginia stock farm, that of Mr. T. O. Sandy, in the county of Nottoway. It will be a revelation to the Tazewell grass growers to learn what Southside stock farm land can do when it gets the hustle on. The Herald has often given to its readers similar write ups, and begs to express its thanks to the Richmond Times for giving such useful information to its large circle of readers.

All that Virginia needs is proper advertising of its advantages, and she will again lead in the column of States. The Times is doing noble work in this regard and deserves the thanks and practical sympathy of the people of the State.

Congress will be bigger next time, but does that mean it will do better work?

The White Man's Shame—The Woman's Burden.  
[Kipling with Variations]  
ARCANUM, VA., Oct. 27, 1902.  
In spite of all the licentiousness as chronicled in recent years of the black man, it has been left for a white man of the proud Anglo-Saxon race, a man of property—a man living in apparent respectability, 47 years old, father of six children, an official in church and Sunday school, to cap the climax of carnal infamy, and probe the dirtiest depths of beastly sensuality.

The trial of G. W. Banton, of this county, for the crime of rape on his eldest daughter, Katie Maud, was concluded on Thursday, 23rd inst. with a verdict of "guilty as charged in indictment," and punishment was fixed at 14 years in the penitentiary—a sentence too lenient. Virginia history carries no record of any case so ruthlessly dark, and damnable. Common report for a month past indicated charge for incest only, where mutuality of conduct had existed, but the trial developed the fact unchallenged that the young girl was the victim of brutal force; and her lips were sealed by the dire threats of immediate death, should she disclose the fact.

She stood the ordeal fairly well. At times the cruel (though lawful) questions of the defense would cause her to raise her eyes imploringly to Judge Smith for escape, but when his Honor would say gently: "You must answer," her scarlet face and deep mortification were painful to behold. We may deprecate any man who saw the tortures of mind that young girl endured those 3 hours on the witness stand, would see any daughter of his in like case, he would kill her ravisher, even if he knew his own death would immediately follow.

I cannot write it as I heard it, though her tale of woe would stir every true woman's heart to pity, and rouse every instinct of true manhood to loathing. The girl is no impostor, no actress, all the evidence tended to show that outside this blight, she has borne an unimpeachable character for truth and virtue. The veteran clerk of our court, P. A. Forbes, Esq., who has for nearly 30 years been witness to all sorts and conditions of people, and whom Buckinghamites generally believe to be shrewd and keen in discerning character beyond his fellow citizens, walked over to reporters' table and said, as the plaintiff left the stand: "Gentlemen, if ever I heard the truth told in this court, it has been told by that young lady; I can feel the truth in her unbroken statements. The patriarchal looking sheriff of our county, William Williams, was sworn as a witness: 'I have known Katie Banton since she was a baby. I live in a mile and half of her father, and I never heard a breath against her fair fame or veracity in my life until this case was made public,' and a dozen other men and women, her neighbors so testified.

There was no collusion, she bore the disgrace in silence until the chord of endurance snapped. Hear her own words: "I pleaded with father to let me go away—away for ever, and it shall remain a secret for ever between us, but if you don't stop it, come life or death, everlasting family disgrace or ruin, I will not endure it longer." He in a measure agreed. She went to Richmond, lived with an aunt, worked in a cigar factory, carrying the horrible secret with her, but alas! for her hopes: the wretch left his farm after a few weeks and got a job in Richmond, and again attempted to renew the persecution, until life became a burden and with breaking heart she went back to her mother and broke the silence of four years and told her all. This was in August last. His arrest soon followed, and at the magistrate's trial, it was in evidence that he stepped to where Katie stood crying, put his hand on her head and said: "Don't cry, Katie—you are innocent of blame." Corroborative evidence in crimes of this description is often lacking, but in this case, there was no significance coincidence. The day and date of the specific charge for which he was tried and to which Mr. Hubbard was by law confined (although the attorneys for defense brought out other occasions to their client's detriment) was Sunday, October 6th, 1901, place, the cellar under the house, time, 11 a. m. Hear part of her evidence: "As soon as I could get away from him, I ran upstairs to my room, he crept through the cellar window into the back yard." Mr. McCullough, a gentleman from the neighborhood, is on the stand, and in reply to Mr. Hubbard, spoke as follows: "I and my wife drove up to Mr. Banton's about 11 o'clock to spend the day. Mrs. McCullough was in the parlor with Mrs. Banton. I was passing across the hall or vestibule and met Katie. She was crying and looked very distressed, I said Katie, what is the matter, you are crying so? She did not stop, but said: 'I can't tell you Mr. McCullough,' and passed on up stairs. This was about 11 o'clock."

The presiding judge, W. M. Smith, of Cumberland, is probably the youngest in years and service of any judge in Virginia, but he conducted the case with becoming dignity, firmness and ability, and comments I heard were many and very flattering. Judge Moss is related to the parties, and wisely retired from the case. Counsel for defense were handicapped with a bad case—no defence whatever—no palliating circumstance, but they fought their losing game with unswerving faithfulness to their wretched client, alert for every technicality of law. Our able commonwealth's attorney was at this very best, during the four days of trial; his brain was as clear as a gladiolus, the pathos of his demand for a vindication of that much wronged girl was worthy of the late "Phil" McKinney at his best, and the withering scorn with which he denounced the villain at the bar, reminded one of Lord Beaconsfield in his palmiest days in the British parliament, as Mr. Hubbard arose to address the jury, he called upon high Heaven to witness this assertion: "I have been prosecutor at this bar for 20 years, I have had cases where I doubted the guilt of the accused and the veracity of the witness, but in my inmost heart I feel this witness has told you the truth, and nothing but the truth."

Mr. Editor, I have written much

more than I intended, my main object being to shield that grief-stricken and blighted young life from harsh criticism. Wild rumors everywhere, and thoughtless, reckless young men have spread the idea that she was a willing sinner, and the arrest a conspiracy, but there was not a scintilla of evidence to sustain it. Life at best, will be to her dark and unilluminated by the sunshine of purity. Let us all as christian men and women commend her in our prayers to Him, who alone can bring to this despoiled flower true happiness.

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6. Louise Gray.  
5. Lena Gilliam, Basil Jackson, Germa Wingo.  
4. Olive Harris, Watkins Kearney, Lillian Rice, Della Wilkerson, Frank Womack.  
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[Reading Eagle.]  
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